

# **Fiscal Note 2009 Biennium**

Bill # Primary Sponsor:	HB0704  : Keane, Jim			Title: Revise prevailing wage laws  Status: As Introduced			
<ul><li>☐ Significant Local Gov Impact</li><li>☐ Included in the Executive Budget</li></ul>		<ul><li>☑</li></ul>	Needs to be included in HB 2 Significant Long-Term Impacts			Technical Concerns  Dedicated Revenue Form Attached	

#### FISCAL SUMMARY

	FY 2008 Difference	FY 2009 <u>Difference</u>	FY 2010 Difference	FY 2011 <u>Difference</u>
<b>Expenditures:</b>				
General Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
State Special Revenue	\$290,766	\$296,003	\$304,906	\$314,084
Revenue:				
General Fund	(\$2,000)	(\$2,000)	(\$2,000)	(\$2,000)
State Special Revenue	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$8,000	\$8,000
Net Impact-General Fund Balance	(\$2,000)	(\$2,000)	(\$2,000)	(\$2,000)

## **Description of Fiscal Impact:**

HB 704 requires the Employment Relations Division (ERD) of the Department of Labor and Industry to more aggressively enforce the prevailing wage laws. HB 704 will have a slight fiscal impact on the Montana Department of Transportation. Impact will come from higher wage rates being built into contracts paid out on MDT construction, maintenance, and non-construction contracts.

### FISCAL ANALYSIS

#### **Assumptions:**

### Department of Labor and Industry – Employment Relations Division (ERD)

- 1. The general fund has received an average of \$2,000 per year in prevailing wage penalties over the past six years. This revenue will now go to a state special revenue fund.
- 2. The ERD will hire 2.00 FTE compliance specialists who would begin employment in July, 2007.
- 3. It is assumed the base salary of each employee and other costs will increase 2.5% each year.
- 4. These FTE will be stationed outside of Helena, incurring rent and average travel costs.
- 5. The other related operating costs are the average for ERD.
- 6. The new staff will provide proactive enforcement of the prevailing wage statutes, thus decreasing the occurrence of penalties over time. Funding would not be sufficient in the fund to support the program.

## **Department of Transportation (DOT)**

- 7. Generally, wage rate inflation in Montana is 3.5% annually.
- 8. Using wage rate inflation calculations from 2006 to 2007, MDT anticipates an annual cost of \$145,250 with 3.5% inflation.
- 9. The impact on DOT from HB 704 is primarily in the areas of state funded building construction and rest area maintenance service contracts. Cost estimates for contractor wage payments within those program areas are:

SF Building Construction	\$ 2,500,000.00 (wages cost)
Rest Area Maintenance	1,000,000.00
Procurement Non-Construction	650,000.00
Non-adjusted cost	4,150,000.00
Wage Inflation Rate of 3.5%	
Total adjusted cost	\$4,295,250.00

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Fiscal Impact:								
Department of Labor and Inc	dustry							
FTE	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00				
Expenditures:								
Personal Services	\$97,497	\$100,513	\$103,026	\$105,601				
Operating Expenses	\$48,019	\$45,156	\$46,285	\$47,442				
TOTAL Expenditures	\$145,516	\$145,669	\$149,311	\$153,043				
Funding of Evnanditures								
Funding of Expenditures: State Special Revenue (02)	\$145,516	\$145,669	\$149,311	\$153,043				
State Special Revenue (62)	Ψ1 13,310	Ψ113,003	Ψ117,511	Ψ133,013				
Department of Transportatio	n							
Expenditures:								
Operating Expenses	\$145,250	\$150,334	\$155,595	\$161,041				
<b>Funding of Expenditures:</b>								
State Special Revenue (02)	\$145,250	\$150,334	\$155,595	\$161,041				
Revenues:								
General Fund (01)	(\$2,000)	(\$2,000)	(\$2,000)	(\$2,000)				
State Special Revenue (02)	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$8,000	\$8,000				
TOTAL Revenues	\$8,000	\$8,000	\$6,000	\$6,000				
Net Impact to Fund Balance (Revenue minus Funding of Expenditures):								
General Fund (01)	(\$2,000)	(\$2,000)	(\$2,000)	(\$2,000)				
State Special Revenue (02)	(\$280,766)	(\$286,003)	(\$296,906)	(\$306,084)				
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Sponsor's Initials	Date	Budget Director's Initials		Date				